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NEGOTIATED BETWEEN BELL SOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.
AND SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY, L.P.
PURSUANT TO THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996

COME NOW, Sprint Communications Company, L.P. ("Sprint") and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., ("BellSouth"), and file this request for approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement (the "Amendment") negotiated between the two companies pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, (the "Act"). In support of their request, Sprint and BellSouth state the following:

1. Sprint and BellSouth have successfully negotiated an agreement for interconnection of their networks, the unbundling of specific network elements offered by BellSouth and the resale of BellSouth's telecommunications services to Sprint. The Interconnection Agreement was approved by the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA") on December 2, 1997.

2. The parties have negotiated an Amendment to the Agreement amending the General Terms and Conditions, Section 20.1 Subscriber List Information to allow BellSouth to include Sprint's subscriber list information in its Directory Assistance Database Service and Direct Access to Directory Assistance Service databases. A copy of the Amendment is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

3. Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Sprint and BellSouth are submitting their Amendment to the TRA for its consideration and approval.

4. In accordance with Section 252(e) of the Act, the TRA is charged with approving or rejecting the negotiated Amendment between BellSouth and Sprint within 90 days of its submission. The Act provides that the TRA may only reject such an agreement if it finds that the agreement or any portion of the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement or the implementation of the agreement or any portion of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.

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6. Pursuant to Section 252(i) of the Act, BellSouth shall make the Agreement available upon the same terms and conditions contained therein.

Sprint and BellSouth respectfully request that the TRA approve the Amendment negotiated between the parties.

This 17th day of February, 1999.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT 1
TO INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT BETWEEN
BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.
AND SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY, L.P.
TENNESSEE
DATED NOVEMBER 7, 1997

Pursuant to this Agreement (the "Amendment"), BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") and Sprint Communications Company, L.P. ("Sprint") hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Parties" hereby agree to amend that certain Interconnection Agreement between the Parties dated November 7, 1997 ("Interconnection Agreement").

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual provisions contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, BellSouth and Sprint hereby covenant and agree as follows:

1. Section 20.1 of the General Terms and Conditions section is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following language:

20.1 BellSouth is authorized to include Sprint's Subscriber List Information in its Directory Assistance Database Service (DADS) and its Direct Access to Directory Assistance Service (DADAS). Any other use by BellSouth of Sprint's Subscriber List Information is not authorized and with the exception of a request for DADS or DADAS, BellSouth shall refer any request for such information to Sprint.

2. Attachment 2 of the Interconnection Agreement is hereby amended to include Section 13.7.1 and Section 13.7.2 as follows:

13.7.1 BellSouth shall make its Directory Assistance Database Service (DADS) available to Sprint in order to allow Sprint to provide its customers with the same directory assistance type services BellSouth provides to BellSouth customers. Directory Assistance type service is defined as Voice Directory Assistance (DA, Operator System assisted) and Electronic Directory Assistance (Data System assisted).

13.7.2 Direct Access to Directory Assistance Service (DADAS) will provide Sprint's directory assistance operators with the ability to search all available BellSouth directory assistance records in the Directory Assistance Service format. Subscriptions to DADAS will allow Sprint to utilize its own switch, operator workstations and *optional* audio subsystems.

3. That all of the other provisions of the Interconnection Agreement, dated November 7, 1997 shall remain in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this Amendment to be executed by their respective duly authorized representatives on the date indicated below.

By:

DATE:

By:

DATE: